GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
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Subsidy to Farmers
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the schemes/ programmes being implemented by the Government to provide subsidy to the farmers to mitigate the hardship being faced by them in the country;

(b) the details of the subsidy provided to the farmers under the said schemes/ programmes during each of the last three years and the current year, scheme/ programme and State/UT-wise;

(c) the criterion followed by the Government to provide subsidy to the farmers under the said schemes/ programmes;

(d) whether it is a fact that the subsidy provided to the farmers in developed countries is more than the subsidy provided to the farmers in India;

(e) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(f) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): A statement showing the details of various schemes/ programmes being implemented and funds released by Department of Agriculture, Cooperation & Farmers' Welfare during last three years and current year are placed at Annexure-I.

(c): Agriculture is a State Subject. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the State Governments, through various Centrally Sponsored Schemes. The Central share funds are released to the State/UT Governments based on their Annual Action Plans and submission of Utilization Certificates and Progress Reports for previous releases.

(d) to (f): As per the notifications made to the WTO by members, support provided to the agriculture by some of the developed countries e.g. the United States and European Union is higher as compared to India. The support provided by US and EU and India upto the year 2010 is at Annexure-II.